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Dear Jen,

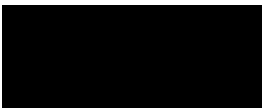
**Development Consent for the Byers Gill Solar scheme: EN010139
Applicants submission – Deadline 6 (06 December 2024)**

On 30 July 2024, the Examining Authority (“ExA”) issued a letter under Section 89 of the Planning Act 2008 and Rules 8 and 9 of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010 (“the Rule 8 letter”) which confirmed the Examination timetable and procedure relating to the Byers Gill Solar Development Consent Order (DCO) application. The Rule 8 letter set out the submissions required by the ExA to be provided for each Deadline of the Examination.

On 3 December 2024, the ExA published Hearing Action Points arising from the Issue Specific Hearings held on 26 and 27 November 2024. Where an action was required for Deadline 6, this is included in this submission.

This letter encloses the Applicant’s summary of the submission made at Deadline 6.

Your sincerely,



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SUMMARY OF DEADLINE 6 SUBMISSION

The Applicant's Deadline 6 submission includes documents specific to Deadline 6, in addition to a range of updated documents relating to Action Point ISH5-11 arising from ISH5 on 26 November 2024. This requested that the Applicant provide revised versions of documents amended as part of the Change Request made on 18 October, in order to remove references/information pertaining to the Change Request and establish the baseline position, should the change not be accepted. In some instances, the Applicant has identified that the baseline position already exists within the Examination library and has therefore not provided a duplicate document at this deadline. The position for each relevant document is set out in a schedule appended to this letter.

Overarching documents

- Cover letter (this letter)
- Application Document Tracker (Document Reference 1.5, Revision 10)

Documents requested by the ExA under Deadline 6

- Comments on Deadline 5 Submissions (Document Reference 8.24).
- Post-hearing submissions including written submissions of oral cases as heard at ISH5, OFH3, OFH4, ISH6 and ISH7 (Document Reference 8.23)
- Status of Negotiations with Statutory Undertakers (Document Reference 7.7, Revision 5)
- Updated CA Schedule (Document Reference 8.5, Revision 4)
- Updated Guide to the Application (Document Reference 1.2 Revision 7)
- Applicant's Response to ExA's Commentary on draft DCO (Document Reference 8.28)

Additional Deadline 6 documents :

- Applicant's comments on Darlington Borough Council ISH4 Action Points submission (Document Reference 8.25)
- Book of Reference (Document Reference 4.2, Revision 5)
- Book of Reference Schedule of Change (Document Reference 4.4, Revision 4)
- Statement of Commonality (Document Reference 8.4, Revision 6)
- Statement of Common Ground with Historic England (Document Reference 8.4.1, Revision 2)
- Statement of Common Ground with Great Stainton Parish Meeting (Document Reference 8.4.11, Revision 2)
- Statement of Common Ground with Environment Agency (Document Reference 8.4.6, Revision 3)
- Statement of Common Ground with Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council (Document Reference 8.4.3, Revision 4)
- Statement of Common Ground with Darlington Borough Council (Document Reference 8.4.2, Revision 3)
- ES Appendix 10.2 Water Framework Directive Assessment (Document Reference 6.4.10.2, Revision 2)
- Applicant's Response to Matters Raised at OFH3, OFH4, ISH5, ISH6 and ISH7 (Document Reference 8.26)
- Landscape and Visual Assessment - Cumulative Effects Technical Note (Document Reference 8.27)

- Draft Development Consent Order, clean and tracked versions (Document Reference 3.1, Revision 5)
- DCO Schedule of Changes (Document Reference 3.3, Revision 4)
- Street Works, Rights of Way and Access Plans (Document Reference 2.3, Revision 7)
- Statement of Reasons (Document Reference 4.1, Revision 4)
- Outline Public Rights of Way Management Plan, clean and tracked versions (Document Reference 6.4.2.15, Revision 4)
- ES Appendix 13.3 Short List of Committed Developments (Document Reference 6.4.13.3, Revision 2)
- ES Figure 13.2 Short List of Committed Developments (Document Reference 6.3.13.2, Revision 2)

STATEMENTS OF COMMON GROUND

The Rule 8 letter lists a number of Statements of Common Ground (SoCGs) requested by the ExA to be produced jointly by the Applicant and third parties. At this Deadline, five updated SoCGs are provided, including one signed and final SoCG with Historic England. Discussions with other parties are ongoing and it is anticipated that further SoCGs, or updates to existing SoCGs, may be submitted at the next Deadline. The accompanying Statement of Commonality (SoC) (Document Reference 8.4, Revision 6) sets out the status of all SoCGs in production and progression made since Deadline 5.

SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED UNDER ACTION POINT ISH5-11

Document Requested in Rule 17 Request [PD-009]	Summary of position at Deadline 6
dDCO (tracked)	Revised version (Rev 5) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed and further updates. This is now the baseline position.
dDCO (clean)	Revised version (Rev 5) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed and further updates. This is now the baseline position.
Explanatory Memorandum (tracked)	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-016] (Revision 3). Latest version without change request is: REP2-028 (Revision 2). REP2-028 is the current baseline position.
Explanatory Memorandum (Clean)	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-015] (Revision 3). Latest version without change request is: REP2-027 (Revision 2). REP2-027 is the current baseline position.
DCO Schedule of Changes (tracked)	No submission required – document provides tracked change account of DCO amendments and would not be readable with additional tracks in.
DCO Schedule of Changes (clean)	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed and further updates. This is now the baseline position.
Location Plan	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-002] (Revision 3). Latest version without change request is: AS-012 (Revision 2). AS-012 is the current baseline position.
Works Plans	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-003] (Revision 3). Latest version without change request is: AS-013 (Revision 2). AS-013 is the current baseline position.
SWPRA Plans	Revised version (Rev 7) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed. This is now the baseline position.
Land Plans	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-005] (Revision 3). Latest version without change request is: AS-015 (Revision 2). AS-015 is the current baseline position.
Environmental Masterplan	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-006] (Revision 3). Latest version without change request is: AS-016 (Revision 2). AS-016 is the current baseline position.
Statement of Reasons (tracked)	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed. This is now the baseline position.
Statement of Reasons (clean)	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed. This is now the baseline position.
Book of Reference (tracked)	No submission required –BoR Schedule of Changes provides information on what has changed.
Book of Reference (clean)	Revised version (Rev 5) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed and further updates pertaining to special category land. This is now the baseline position.
BoR Schedule of Changes (tracked)	No submission required – document provides scheduled of BoR amendments and would not be readable with additional tracks in.
BoR Schedule of Changes (clean)	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed and further updates pertaining to special category land. This is now the baseline position.

Document Requested in Rule 17 Request [PD-009]	Summary of position at Deadline 6
CA Schedule	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed and further updates. This is now the baseline position.
Prow Management Plan (tracked)	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed. This is now the baseline position.
Prow Management Plan (clean)	Revised version (Rev 4) provided at Deadline 6 with change request information removed. This is now the baseline position.
ES Figure 12.1 Proposed Access Routes	No further changes since Change Request [CR1-018] (Revision 2). Latest version without change request is: APP-099 (Revision 1). APP-099 is the baseline position.
Application Document tracker (tracked)	No submission required – documents already tracked in its form of presentation and tracked changes would make it unreadable
Application Document tracker (clean)	Updated version provided at Deadline 6 (Revision 9).